

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI  
EASTERN DIVISION

APRIL NUTT, as Next Friend of	)	
M.N. NUTT, a Minor,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	Case No. 4:11-cv-00526-DDN
vs	)	
	)	
CHRISTOPHER HAZEL and	)	JURY TRIAL REQUESTED
CARLA HAZEL,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

**DEFENDANTS' ANSWER TO PLAINTIFF'S PETITION**

Come now Defendants and for their Answer to Plaintiff's Petition state as follows:

1. Defendants admit the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Plaintiff's Petition.
2. Defendants deny the allegations contained in paragraphs 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 of Plaintiff's Petition.
3. For further answer and defense, Defendants state that any recovery by Plaintiff should be reduced in proportion to the comparative fault and negligence of the minor Plaintiff and her Next Friend contributing to cause her loss and damages.
4. For further answer and defense, Defendants state that any recovery by Plaintiff should be reduced in proportion to Plaintiff's failure to mitigate her loss and damages.
5. For further answer and defense, Defendants state that they are entitled to a set off for amounts paid to either Plaintiff because of the event described in Plaintiff's Petition. should be reduced by the amount of any payments made

WHEREFORE, having fully answered, Defendants pray to be dismissed hence with their costs herein expended.

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I hereby certify that on March 23, 2011 the foregoing was filed electronically with the Clerk of Court to be served by operation of the Court's electronic filing system upon the following:

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